

**Invitation to Bid**  
**University of Connecticut**  
**Project #901772**  
**Main Building Renovation Project 2**



You are hereby invited to bid on the University of Connecticut – Main Building Renovation Project 2 (University of Connecticut Project #901772) in Farmington, CT.

**Job Description:** The Main Building Renovation Project 2 will renovate approximately 33,000 SF of lab space and 12,000 SF of mechanical equipment space in the existing occupied UConn Health facility. Construction will be in the partially occupied building. The University of Connecticut will seek LEED Silver certification for this project. Renovations are anticipated to take place from December 2015 through February 2017. Total estimated value of the project is approximately \$30 million.

In addition to being prequalified for this Project, all Bidders submitting a bid of \$500,000 or higher must be prequalified by the DAS in the requisite classification and have the aggregate work capacity rating and single project limit necessary to complete the work for which the Bid is submitted.

**Submit the bid package per instructions no later than November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 @ 2:00 P.M.** Bid Packages being bid at this time are as follows:

Unit #	Description	DAS Required **	Set Aside or 30/10	Estimated Value*
01E	Final Cleaning	No	Yes	\$55,000
01F	General Trades	No	Yes	\$267,200
03A	Concrete	No	30/10	\$229,000
05A	Metals	Yes	30/10	\$557,800
06A	Millwork	No	30/10	\$264,300
07A	Roofing	No	30/10	\$115,400
07B	Firestopping	No	Yes	\$20,000
08A	Glass & Glazing	Yes	30/10	\$670,800
09A	Carpentry & Drywall	Yes	30/10	\$1,724,400
09B	Flooring	No	30/10	\$298,100
09C	Painting	No	Yes	\$190,200
10A	Signage	No	Yes	\$41,300
11A	Glass Washers	No	Exempt	\$120,600
11B	Autoclaves	No	Exempt	\$100,000
12A	Casework	Yes	30/10	\$994,800
13A	Cold Rooms	No	30/10	\$225,000
21A	Fire Protection	No	30/10	\$309,700
22A	Plumbing	Yes	30/10	\$1,936,100
23A	HVAC Mechanical Piping	Yes	30/10	\$1,250,300
23B	HVAC Sheetmetal & AHU Equipment	Yes	30/10	\$7,540,600
23C	Building Automation	Yes	30/10	\$2,354,600
23D	Testing & Balancing	No	Yes	\$77,200
26A	Electrical	Yes	30/10	\$3,337,300
26B	Tele/Data	No	Yes	\$206,200

\* Value shown is an estimated value only and is not a guaranteed representation of the actual value of the scope.

\*\* Scopes identified as "DAS Prequalification Required" must have DAS Prequalification as these scopes are estimated to exceed \$500,000. DAS Prequalification is required for all bids which exceed \$500,000 regardless of whether the scope is identified as such above.

**Bids will only be accepted from contractors who have been prequalified specific to this project and each bid package.**

**A pre-bid meeting and walk-through is scheduled for Thursday, November 5, 2015 at 2:00 PM**

**This meeting is not mandatory, but is highly recommended.**

**All bidders will convene on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of 16 Munson Road, Farmington, CT 06030**

**Bid Instructions:**

1. Download the Instructions to Bidders, Bid Forms, and Contract Documents from the following site:

<https://whiting-turner.box.com/Project2-constructionbid>

Please note, this website will be the only official outlet for bid information and addenda. Information from other sources may be inaccurate.

2. Attend the pre-bid meeting and walkthrough starting at 16 Munson Road, Farmington, CT on November 5, 2015 at 2:00PM
3. Submit all requests for information via email to [todd.werner@whiting-turner.com](mailto:todd.werner@whiting-turner.com) by November 9, 2015 at Midnight
4. Fill out all statements and answers as true and correct as possible & attach all supporting documentation.
5. Submit a hard copy of the bid with all requested attachments to:

**The Whiting-Turner Contracting Company**

**2 Enterprise Drive, Suite 504, Shelton, CT 06484**

**Bid packages are due by November 23, 2015 no later than 2:00PM.**

**Bids must be sealed. Electronic bids will not be accepted.**

**All bids will be opened publicly immediately after bids are due at 2 Enterprise Drive, Suite 504, Shelton, CT 06484**

6. DAS Prequalification is required for **all** bids which exceed \$500,000 regardless of whether the scope is identified as such above.
7. Subcontractor will be expected to be S/MBE or to provide a minimum of 30% SBE and 10% MBE participation as indicated above. S/MBE companies must have current certification by the CT DAS.
8. WT, at the advice of UConn, reserves the right to waive minor irregularities in bids and prequalifications.
9. **Small and Minority Businesses (S/MBE) are encouraged to apply/bid.** For additional information on certifying as an S/MBE in Connecticut, please visit the following link: <http://das.ct.gov/cr1.aspx?page=34>

**S/MBE Contractors may find the following independent third party resources helpful:**

**The Business Resource Center (BRC)** – <http://www.hedcoinc.com/business-resource-center/> – provides access to professional consultation, resource materials, and, action-oriented training (OSHA, certified payrolls, schedules, billings, estimating, etc.), in the skills/techniques needed to grow business in the Greater Hartford area. The BRC also operates a Minority Business Enterprise Assistance Program with focus on the development of minority construction firms in CT, including assistance with the capacity to qualify for bonding (bid, performance and payment).

**HEDCO, Inc.** – <http://www.hedcoinc.com/> – HEDCO, Inc. is a 501 (c 3) Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) and a Small Business Administration Certified Micro Lender. The agency has been in operation since 1975 and serves the 169 cities and towns in Connecticut, especially small business within the City of Hartford, to help them develop business plans, acquire financing and achieve sustained successful growth. For additional information please contact Kim Hawkins, VP & COO, at (860) 527-1100 or email her at [khawkins@brct.com](mailto:khawkins@brct.com)

**BondSure @ Greater New England Minority Supplier Development Council (GNEMSDC)** – A minority assistance program offered by Community Capital Fund and GNEMSDC, BondSure helps to increase the surety bonding capacity of S/MBE construction firms throughout Southern Connecticut. For more information, please go to <http://bondsurre.org> or contact Andres Lopez Director of State Programs at (203) 288-9744 or [alopez@gnemsgdc.org](mailto:alopez@gnemsgdc.org).

**The Connecticut Small Business Development Center (CTSBDC)** – provides no-cost advising assistance to both prospective existing business owners to help them start or grow their business. For more information, please visit <http://ctsbsd.com/contact/>.

**U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)** – guarantees bid, performance and payment bonds issued by surety companies. This Federal guarantee encourages surety companies to bond S/MBE's who are having difficulty obtaining bonding on their own. For more information, please visit <https://www.sba.gov/surety-bonds>.

**Creative Insurance Concepts, Inc. (CIC)** – <http://www.creativeic.com/bonds.html> - Participants in the SBA Surety Bond Guarantee Program in most states. Contact Charlene Reynolds, CEO, at 804-674-8330 or [cjreynolds@creativeic.com](mailto:cjreynolds@creativeic.com).